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The *T. reesei* RNA is used as template for RT-PCR using methods known in the art (Loftus, J. et al., Science, 249:915-918, 1990). During this procedure the mRNA is reverse transcribed to produce first strand cDNA. The cDNA subsequently serves as template for PCR amplification of *bgl4* cDNA sequences using specific oligonucleotide primers designed in accordance with SEQ ID No. 1 or SEQ ID No. 3.

In the claims: Please replace claims 2, 8, 18, and 25 with the following rewritten claims:

2. An isolated polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of:

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- (a) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (b) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 90% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (c) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (d) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
 - (e) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
 - (f) a nucleic acid sequence which encodes or is complementary to a sequence which encodes a BGL4 polypeptide having the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
 - (g) a nucleic acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:3, or the complement thereof; and

a nucleic acid sequence that hybridizes, under high stringency conditions to the sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:3, or the complement or a fragment thereof, wherein said isolated polynucleotide encodes a polypeptide having the biological activity of a β -glucosidase.

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8. An expression construct including a polynucleotide sequence (i) having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2), or (ii) being

capable of hybridizing to a probe derived from the nucleotide sequence disclosed in Figure 1 under conditions of intermediate to high stringency, or (iii) being complementary to a nucleotide sequence having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2).

18. A substantially purified BGL4 polypeptide with the biological activity of a β -glucosidase, comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) an amino acid sequence having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (b) an amino acid sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (c) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (d) an amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (e) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
- (f) an amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
a substantially purified biologically active fragment of the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2.

25. A detergent composition, said composition comprising a polypeptide selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) an amino acid sequence having at least 85% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (b) an amino acid sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (c) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (d) an amino acid sequence presented in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2);
- (e) an amino acid sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;
- (f) an amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2;

a substantially purified biologically active fragment of the amino acid sequence presented as SEQ ID NO:2.